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PRESENT

<u>Chairman:</u> Mr. EUVALDO LODI	Brazil
<u>Rapporteur:</u> Mr. CANTARERO	Nicaragua
<u>Members:</u> Mr. COOKE	Argentina
Mr. ALCAZAR	Bolivia
Mr. DE MOURA)	Brazil
Mr. MARTINS)	
Mr. MARTONES	Chile
Mr. ISAZA	Colombia
Mr. GONZALO FACIO	Costa Rica
Mr. LAIDA	Cuba
Mr. GARRIDO	Dominican Republic
Mr. CESPO ORDÓÑEZ	Ecuador
Mr. MARTINEZ	El Salvador
Mr. COTTELL	France
Mr. SANTA CRUZ	Guatemala
Mr. RIGAUD	Haiti
Mr. ALVAREDO TROCHEZ	Honduras
Mr. ROBLES	Mexico
Mr. JONG BAW	Netherlands
Mr. McCULLOUGH	Panama
Mr. URBISTA FLORES	Paraguay
Mr. BARATO	Peru
Mr. GODFREY	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Mr. BOHAN	United States of America
Mr. ECHELA	Uruguay
Mr. CASAS BRICENO	Venezuela

Also present:Representatives of specialized agencies

Mr. SILBERMAN)	International Labour Organisation (ILO)
Mr. MONTEIRO)	
Mr. MATUANA	Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)
Mr. FERREIRA	World Health Organization (WHO)
Mr. JUNQUEIRA SCHMIDT	World Meteorological Organisation (WMO)

Secretariat

Mr. FLEBISCH
Mr. SANTI CRUZ

Executive Secretary
Secretary of the Conference

FORMATION OF A DRAFTING GROUP

The CHAIRMAN proposed that a drafting group be formed to draw up the text of the draft resolutions to be adopted by the Commission. It would be composed of Mr. Martinez Moreno (El Salvador) and Mr. Portela (Argentina) for the Spanish version, Mr. Kellogg (United States) and Mr. Clibborn (United Kingdom) for the English version, and Mr. Charvet (France) and Mr. Hudicourt (Haiti) for the French version.

It was so decided.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE III (Industries) (E/CN.12/AC.20/5/Rev.1)

The CHAIRMAN called on Mr. Cantarero (Rapporteur of Committee III) to read his statement.

Mr. CANTARERO (Rapporteur of Committee III: Industries) read his report.

The CHAIRMAN submitted the draft resolutions approved by Committee III to the vote.

The draft resolution relating to the iron and steel industry (E/CN.12/AC.20/1/Rev.1) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to the pulp and paper industries (E/CN.12/AC.20/2/Rev.1) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to the chemical industries (E/CN.12/AC.20/3/Rev.1) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to the conservation and utilization of non-agricultural resources (E/CN.12/AC.20/4/Rev.1) was adopted unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN thanked the Chairman, Rapporteur and Secretary of Committee III for the efficient work they had accomplished.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE IV (Agriculture)

The CHAIRMAN invited Mr. Glower (El Salvador), Rapporteur of Committee IV (Agriculture) to make his statement.

Mr. GLOWER (El Salvador) (Rapporteur of Committee IV - Agriculture) read his report. He explained that the final text of the report would contain a supplementary paragraph which would indicate that the phrase "of other inter-governmental organizations" in the first line of the operative part of the resolution dealing with coffee production and trade (E/CN.12/AC.21/4) should be understood to mean the Inter-American Economic and Social Council and the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences.

/The CHAIRMAN

The CHAIRMAN put to the vote the draft resolutions approved by Committee IV.

The draft resolution relating to agricultural statistics (E/CN.12/AC.21/1) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to the use of statistical sampling in the analysis of economic problems of agriculture (E/CN.12/AC.21/2) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to land reform (E/CN.12/AC.21/3) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to coffee production and trade (E/CN.12/AC.21/4) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to agricultural credit (E/CN.12/AC.21/5) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to Latin American country studies on agriculture (E/CN.12/AC.21/6) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to the banana industry (E/CN.12/AC.21/7) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution relating to the hard fibres industry (E/CN.12/AC.21/8) was adopted unanimously.

Mr. CASAS BRICEÑO (Venezuela) requested that the Plenary Session of the Commission should give special praise to the Chairman of Committee IV for the remarkable work done by that Committee.

The CHAIRMAN said that the Venezuelan representative's proposal expressed the general feelings of the Commission. The rapporteur and Secretary of the Committee should be included in the expressions of gratitude to the Chairman of Committee IV, whose successful work would inspire ECLA in strengthening the economic co-operation of all the Latin-American countries.

Mr. CRESPO ORDOÑEZ (Ecuador) thanked the representative of Venezuela and the Chairman of the Commission for their kind words. He, personally, had only been able to reach a successful conclusion thanks to the wholehearted co-operation of all the members of the Committee. He wished to express his faith in the economic development of Latin America, of which ECLA would be the instrument. It was due to ECLA that the Latin-American countries felt more fully united and had become aware of their common interests.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE V (Intra-regional trade) (E/CN.12/AC.22/2)

At the Chairman's request, Mr. VILAS BOAS (Brazil), Rapporteur of Committee V, made his statement.

Mr. VILAS BOAS (Brazil) Rapporteur of Committee V, read his report (E/CN.12/AC.22/2).

The CHAIRMAN put to the vote the draft resolution approved by Committee V (E/CN.12/AC.22/1) relating to inter Latin-American trade.

The draft resolution was adopted unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN congratulated all the members of Committee V for the excellent work they had done and for the outstanding spirit of co-operation they had shown.

BRAZILIAN PROPOSAL RELATING TO THE REPORT OF COMMITTEE II

At the Chairman's request, Mr. LANDA (Cuba), First Vice-Chairman, took his place as Chairman.

Mr. LOBI (Brazil) remarked that the question of professional and technical training, which is of considerable importance to all the Latin-American countries, is within the mandate of Committee II (economic development and technical assistance). He recalled that in Brazil, some ten years previously, some employers had spontaneously established a national industrial apprenticeship service (SENAI), in spite of what appeared to be unsurmountable obstacles. That service, which at present functioned in over one hundred businesses, permitted more than 40,000 young people to continue their apprenticeship in over 60 different professions. The expenses of the service were borne entirely by the employers, who considered that their financial contribution was the fulfilment of a social obligation.

He proposed that these achievements should be noted by Committee II.

Mr. BARRETO (Peru) warmly supported this proposal.

Mr. ECHELA (Uruguay) expressed his country's admiration for the remarkable work of professional training described by the Brazilian representative. He pointed out that SENAI generously grants scholarships to young people from other Latin-American countries, notably from Uruguay, which allowed them to provide valuable services to the industrial life of their countries at a later stage.

The proposal of the Brazilian representative was adopted unanimously.

The meeting rose at 5.40 p.m.